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April 6th, 1872—3m.

**EXECUTOR'S SALE**  
OR  
**REAL ESTATE in MIDDLETOWN,**  
BY virtue of an order of the orphan's Court of the State of Delaware, in and for New Castle county, made the 20th day of February, A. D. 1872, will be exposed at public auction or vendue, at 1 o'clock, p. m., at the hotel of Geo. W. Ordle, as

**TUESDAY, APRIL 30th, 1872.**  
the following described lands and tenements situate in the town of Middletown, New Castle county, State of Delaware, being the real estate of Samuel W. Roberts, dec'd, the same being ordered to be sold for the payment of his debt, to wit: No. 1, a lot of land with a

**FRAME STORE**  
thereon erected, beginning at a post, corner for land of J. F. Eliason, on Main street; thence with said Eliason's land, S. 1/2 E. 150 feet to a corner of said Eliason on a line of R. A. Cochran, and with said Cochran's land, S. 8/2 W. 50 feet to a corner for Rachel Ireland; thence S. 1/2 W. 150 feet to said street; thence with said street, N. 88/2 E. 50 feet to the place of beginning.

**FRAME DWELLING**  
No. 2, a lot of land with a  
thereon erected, beginning on the north side of Main street at a point, a corner for lands of Thos. H. Rothwell, and with said Rothwell's land, N. 68/2 W. 150 feet to another corner for said Rothwell, thence with said Rothwell, S. 81/2 E. 50 feet to the curbstone on Cass street; thence with said street, S. 81/2 E. 163 feet to said Main street, and thence with said Main street, S. 63/2 W. 50 feet to the place of beginning.

**FRAME DWELLING**  
No. 3, a lot of land with a  
thereon erected, beginning at a stake on the north side of Lake street, corner for land of Francis Stevens; thence with said Stevens' line, S. 81/2 E. 150 feet to a stake on the north side of Walker street, and thence with said Walker street, S. 81/2 E. 50 feet to a stake; thence N. 81/2 W. 150 feet to a stake on the south side of Lake street; thence with said Lake street, S. 81/2 W. 50 feet to the place of beginning.

No. 4, all that lot situate on the south side of Lake street, bounded on the east by land of R. G. Hayes, on the south by lands of Mrs. Baeston and Trustees of Middletown Academy, and on the west by lands of Lake and Culbertson; having a front of about sixty feet on Lake street, and a depth of one hundred and twenty-five feet. The above premises will be sold free and clear of debt.

Attendance will be given and terms of sale made known by Henry Davis, Executor, or by George Gray, Esq., his attorney.  
Attest: **BENJ. R. USTICK,**  
Clerk of Orphan's Court.  
apr 6—1s

**T. E. FERREE,**  
189 READ STREET, NEW YORK,  
Gen'l Produce Commission Merchant.  
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Special plates, business cards, weekly price currents, will be furnished, and any information required will be cheerfully given.  
apr. 6—1y T. E. FERREE.

## Original Poetry.

### NIL DESPERANDUM.

Respectfully inscribed to the Peach Growers, BY AERCLAPUS.

Stern old Janus shook his sceptre  
Over a shivering land,  
Yet spring, one day, with a warning came,  
And slipped it from his hand.  
She brought down torrents from the skies,  
And rivers down the streets;  
Melted his crown about his eyes,  
And thawed his icy feet.

The peach-tree buds on many a farm,  
Scenting the incoming spring;  
Did we in haste to look around;  
But, ah, the city thence we find;  
They did not that when spring comes  
In such a vapory way,  
She only means to try her power,  
And never means to stay.

So when the silly buds have seen  
Their fill of mist and snow,  
Spring went away and left them e'en  
To manage as they could;  
Then boreas rose in furious mood,  
And fanned and hurried round;  
He shot the waters in a rage,  
And hard he made the ground.

And then on every side we heard the cry:  
"The peach crop is gone, I know,  
The buds, I had intended to,  
I cannot pay just now;  
What can I depend on yet,  
To bring me in supplies,  
For all the wheat, for miles around,  
Is damaged by the flux?"

Now friends, those buds you thought were dead,  
Though sorely pinched and frayed,  
Braved the old tyrant in his rants,  
And stood there undimmed;  
Now spring, with airs and sunny smiles,  
Comes tripping o'er the ground,  
Leading her orchestra, the while,  
In many a welcome round.

And buds above, below, burst forth,  
In hints of genial dress;  
To see the mild spring gain the north,  
(The peach buds with the rest.)  
And when she subdues the chilled earth,  
And conquers with her might,  
The trees to grace her victory'll don  
Their blossoms pink and white.

Then out they flung their flowers and leaves  
Upon the ambient air,  
The finest prospect for a cure  
That ever was seen there.  
And when the gentle wiles of spring  
Gives way to summer's reign,  
You ne'er will wish to estimate  
The yield of crops again.

Town Point, April 24, 1872.

## Select Story.

### HOW IT WORKS.

I am no novelist, and never aspired to be, but I claim to be something of a politician.

If there is a loyal man I believe I am one. I made great sacrifices during the war for my country. I did not go to war, because I could not. But if one person in the United States of America kept up a more gallant fire in the rear than any other man, I am the man. I have been the marked man of the copperheads. And, besides, it has cost me much domestic trouble.

George Washington Harrison Soerates Clay Dobbs (that's me) unfortunately married one Amy Amanda Maria Louisa Seraggs, and, as old Seraggs was a Democrat, my Amy has been a follower of the rebel sympathizing copperhead buttner, and, at times, the climate at "Dobbs' cottage" became somewhat tropical. But I have borne it all like a Christian.

Old Seraggs has always been too fast for me in argument, but when he came visiting and I held family prayer, and the old reprobate upon his knees; I had all the say, and you better believe I poured grape and canister into For Sumpter. Amy was a beautiful girl, and I married her because I loved her. Some said I married her for "Dobbs' cottage," but that is a copperhead lie. It is true her father made us a present of the farm and cottage, but what of that? It was his daughter, and she had a right to it. I was master of the situation until recently. This suffrage question involved me in a very serious difficulty. I had taken special pains to tantalize Amy about copperheads, buttner, and sympathizers, but when this suffrage question came up she gave me fits upon the negro equality question. I fended the best I could, but found the position was getting untenable, and so I declared straight for equality and went at it upon general equality principles.

I went my whole length and declared for outright equality. Our people had got patriotic and had admitted the negroes into the public schools, and I had the honor of moving first in that important step. One evening, a few weeks ago, I came home and Amy and I had a set-to on the equality question. The children had been to school that day, and had a negro next to them. I saw Amy was working her wits, the result of which was the announcement that if the children had to associate with negroes, I should too. I regarded the threat as an idle boast, and thought no more of it. A few days after this I notified her that General—and his wife would dine with us. Her eyes sparkled; I knew there was mischief brewing. I could force it.

I advised her that the General, his wife and I would be at the cottage at one, and so enough we were. And Amy was prepared for us. She had prepared an excellent dinner, and met us at the door to welcome us, announcing at the same time that dinner was ready. As soon as we were prepared she led the way to the dining room, and had a saucy old negro by the name of Crow, with his wife, and

the two that were seated next to our children at school already at the table. She apologized for her haste in seating her first guests, assuming that she had concluded we were not coming, and then proceeded to formally introduce old Crow, and the Crow family generally to the General and wife, as Brother Crow, Sister Crow, Master Crow and Miss Crow.

I felt a good deal like crowing myself. My legs commenced to show unmistakable signs of elasticity. I felt as if I could hear out any six negroes in the neighborhood. But I fully comprehended the nature of the situation. The General's wife was about to explode.

The General, although an earnest Radical, could not suppress his olfactory from becoming slightly elevated. My Amy was extremely polite, and chattered away apparently in one of her happiest moods. Old Crow set back with his thumbs in the arm holes of his dilapidated old vest, whilst his wife, with folded arms, was assuming an air of maiden innocence.

Amy handed the General a seat, by the way, which filled up that side of the table, and hurriedly seated the General's wife by old guns and ivory, then gathering up the children seated them beside their school fellows, after which she took her seat at the head of the table, and requested me to be seated at the further end to wait upon the guests. Up to this time I had managed well. But the General's wife arose and remarked that she did not intend to bear the insult further. At this the General flew into a passion, and accused me of purposely arranging an insult. I protested and accused Amy, and as I did so old Seraggs stepped in. The General remarked, "you old buttner, you are at the bottom of this." My Amy reminded him that that was her home, and no one should insult her father there, and ordered him to leave.

The General called for a dirty huzzy for insulting his wife, and at this old Seraggs hit him with the butt end of a buttner limb. I sprang between them to protect my guest, when old Crow placed the General and I upon an equality. In the melee the wench assailed the General's wife, and the fight became general. Amy in the mean time expostulating and counseling peace.

Finally, we all succeeded in resuming our perpendicular positions but old Crow, who was then the special object of a charge from the General.

Amy was playing Pochontas, by leaping over the old carrens, and succeeded in causing the General to retreat.

She then placed her arms around him and attempted to raise him. I blew up. Making a charge upon old manhood—I ruined a calf skin.

Mrs. Crow patted me on the back with a chair, whilst the young Crows set up a regular down South Jubilee.

I cleaned them out. I did indeed. The last words I heard from old Crow were, "you're no gentleman." Seraggs enjoyed it. Amy was exceedingly sorry, and could not comprehend what had caused the row. The General and his wife were off in a flurry. And I—I was the maddest and mutest Radical in the State. I pursued after the General to apologize and explain, and run into old Crow. He gave me an exhibition of his "manhood," and, seeing I was flanked, I wheeled to retreat. In my haste I encountered the wench and over we went.

I partially recovered and started on all fours, when old Crow came to my assistance, and by an attack upon the rear enabled me to make the fastest time on record.

As I came down the pavement I discovered a waving handkerchief, it was Amy's.

Seraggs had assumed a belligerent position, and as I passed him, set Crow to tottling in the opposite direction. He made good time, but nothing in comparison to what I had done.

Since which time I have been dubbed "Dexter" by Amy and her father, and at the latest intimation that I intended to vote the Radical ticket, Amy insists on rehearsing her story of the race between "manhood" and Radical. I have partially succeeded in reconciling the General and his wife, but my suggestion to play the same joke on Seraggs and Amy at home brought to the General's mind such a vivid recollection of old Crow's muscular power that he concluded that negro equality would answer for electioneering purposes, but it is a decidedly dangerous experiment by way of practical joking. I thought so too.

NICKNAMES OF THE STATES.—Alabama, lizards; Arkansas, tootlicks; California, gold hunters; Colorado, rovers; Connecticut, wooden nutmegs; Delaware, muskrats; Florida, fly-up-the-creeks; Georgia, buzzards; Illinois, suckers; Indiana, hoosiers; Iowa, hawkeyes; Kansas, jayhawkers; Kentucky, corn crackers; Louisiana, creoles; Maine, foxes; Maryland, cray thumpers; Michigan, wolverines; Minnesota, gophers; Mississippi, tadpoles; Missouri, pukes; Nebraska, gaw ceters; Nevada, sage hens; New Hampshire, granite boys; New Jersey, clam catchers; New York, knickerbockers; North Carolina, tar boilers; Ohio, buckeyes; Oregon, web feet; Pennsylvania, leatherheads; Rhode Island, gun finits; South Carolina, wessels; Tennessee, whelps; Texas, beef heads; Vermont, green mountain boys; Virginia, beesles; Wisconsin, badgers.

We hear a great deal about labor reform, but there seems to be a greater need of reforming some of those fellows who don't labor.

## For the Middletown Transcript.

### American Colleges.

Having reviewed, on a previous occasion, the catalogues of Harvard, Yale, Dartmouth, and Amherst Colleges, permit me to notice some of the remaining announcements of American literary institutions now lying before me.

Brown University, organized in 1764, located at Providence, Rhode Island, and governed by a Corporation and Board of Trustees, largely representing the Baptist denomination, will be wisely directed by its newly elected, and learned President, Rev. Ezekiel Gilman Robinson, D. D.

At the close of the present collegiate year, it will be installed. The former President, Rev. Alexis Caswell, D. D., L. L. D., having resigned. It was never more flourishing than at the present time. With such professors, as Albert Harkness, Ph. D., L. L. D., Professor of the Greek Language and Literature; John L. Lincoln, L. L. D., Professor of the Latin and German languages; Samuel S. Greene, L. L. D., Professor of Natural Philosophy and Astronomy; and others, a thorough instruction can be secured. Seventeen students represent the State of Connecticut; of these, seven hail from Mystic Bridge. The total number of students in the Institution is 220. The University Library is in the lower portion of Manning Hall, and contains 38,000 volumes. In Rhode Island Hall, the visitor will notice a respectable collection of portraits of Charles II. from whom Catherine, his queen. A marble bust of the late President Wayland also graces the Hall.

Leaving the flourishing city of Providence, with its population of 68,000, founded in 1633, by Roger Williams, let us glance at the workings of an eminent literary institution situated in the northwestern portion of Massachusetts, from which Commonwealth—the infamous "Korah of New England"—so-called by Rev. Cotton Mather—was banished. Forty years afterwards, (having acquitted himself so handsomely, this divine acknowledged that Roger had the root of the matter in him.)

Williams College, chartered in 1793, is delightfully situated in Williamstown, Mass. New York and New Jersey contribute 65 of the 141 students now sojourning there.

To the outside world, the indication of collegiate success is in a lengthy roll of students; but to those concerned in the management of these institutions, an honored President, heavy endowments and a competent corps of Professors and Instructors are considered of the first importance. Although Williams has a small number of students, in comparison with some colleges previously enumerated, this institution has a wide reputation; and when we consider that the renowned Rev. Mark Hopkins, D. D., L. L. D., has long been its efficient President, one cannot be surprised at the influence which it exerts in our country. By a hasty look in the vicinity, four students originated "The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions," which has grown within half a century to such huge proportions, that it has its ramifications in every clime.

Those who have read the interesting discussion between the able theologians—Dr. Hefling, and Dr. McCosh, President of the College of New Jersey at Princeton—will agree with the writer that the former did not come off second best.

At the date of writing, the announcement is made that Professor Paul A. Chadbourne will succeed Dr. Hopkins in the Presidency—the latter having resigned—President Chadbourne has a difficult task to perform, and his ability and experience fit him for it. He is a pain-taking, scientific laborer, and has written on "Natural Theology," "Instinct," and "Natural History." Professors Albert Hopkins, L. L. D., John Tatlock, L. L. D., John B. L., and Arthur L. Perry, are widely known. The latter has a national reputation as a political economist—he being an advocate of free trade. On several occasions, Prof. Perry has advanced his ideas, in graceful language, before crowded audiences in the Hall of the New York Historical Society, and has done very much to incite the advancing doctrine of free trade elsewhere.

The Geological and Botanical collection of this College are extensive—the former has been enriched by the purchases of the cabinet collected by the late Professor Emmons, containing his unique types. The late Professor Dewey presented the large Herbarium of Carices, with a valuable library accompanying it. The College Library consists of about 12,000 volumes, to which additions are constantly being made. In addition to this library, the libraries of the Literary Societies and of the Mills Theological Society are open to all the classes.

The seventh catalogue in order, represents the University of New York, organized in 1847, over which Rev. Howard Crosby, D. D., Chancellor, presides. This distinguished divine is also the popular Pastor of the Fourth Avenue Presbyterian Church, N. Y. city, which is densely filled on Sabbath mornings with attentive hearers. Rev. Dr. Mathews, was the first Chancellor, who was succeeded by Rev. Isaac Periss, D. D., L. L. D. The latter, for almost a quarter of a century was the esteemed presiding officer of the University, but on account of ill health and advancing age he was compelled to retire. The Council have decided to endow it in the sum of from three to five

hundred thousand dollars, in order that every department of this well-organized University may be open to all students without charge, with the exception of the Medical Department—which is governed by its own Professors. Already a large number of students have availed themselves of these unequalled opportunities.

In the University building on Washington Square, the late Professor S. E. B. Morse, A. B., D., when connected with the Department of Art, originated the important system of telegraphy. Professor John W. Draper, M. D., L. L. D., also an honored author and lecturer in this Institution, is the dispenser of the photographic art. The departments are as follows:—Science and Letters; Art; Medicine; with its 800 students; Civil Engineering; Analytical and Practical Chemistry; and Law. Students whose parents reside in the city are supposed to live in their own families. For those who come from a distance, board may be obtained in respectable private families, at moderate rates.

The Scriptures are read and prayer offered every morning in the Chapel, when the Chancellor officiates, and the students are required to be present, as in all literary institutions; but on the Sabbath the student can choose his own church. Every matriculated student is supposed to be a gentleman, but if one frequents billiard rooms, or other places of corrupting influence, he will not be allowed to remain a member of the University.

The numerous libraries in the Empire City, in conjunction with the growing University Library, are immensely valuable to the student in his researches. The number of volumes in the subjoined libraries is as follows:—The Astor Library has about 225,000 volumes; Mercantile Library, 125,000; Cooper Union Free Library, 30,000; Historical Society Library, 50,000; Society Library, 65,000; Library of the Young Men's Christian Association, 10,000; New York Hospital Library over 8,000 volumes; Medical Library and Journal Association of New York, about 4,000; Mott Memorial Medical Library, 3,000 volumes; and thousands of volumes in the various Law Libraries.

With the libraries, discourses from prominent divines, and lectures from well-known authorities, the student has advantages in this metropolis, which, perhaps cannot be supplied in any other locality in this country.

B. S. T.

New York City, April 19th, 72.

## The Land of Ophir.

The great geographer, Herr Petermann, in a letter to the *Ostsee Zeitung*, expresses himself satisfied by the latest report of the German explorer, Herr Carl Mauch, that our newly acquired diamond fields in East Africa, are identical with the Ophir of the Bible, from which King Solomon is said to have conveyed gold and ivory and precious stones to Jerusalem for the construction of the temple. The whereabouts of the ancient Ophir has long been a disputed point. The Portuguese, on taking possession of Sofala, invested that colony with the Biblical character.

Legends were affirmed to be current among the natives that the rich gold mines and the buildings of which ruins were visible owed their origin to the Queen of Sheba, and Lopez even asserted the existence of ancient documents, proving the removal, in ancient times, of gold and precious stones to Jerusalem. These assertions cannot, however, in Herr Petermann's opinion, stand beside the discoveries made in our new colonies by Britton and Mauch, Merensky and Grutzeir, Zimbarwe is the place.

His neighborhood is rich in alluvial gold, precious stones and diamonds. It possesses ruins of extensive piles of buildings, the structure of which show them to be of unquestionable and remote antiquity. Ornaments and instruments are still found that could not possibly have been made by the natives, but might well have been left there by Phoenicians. Three days' journey from Zimbarwe similar ruins have been found, and the surrounding country is rich in all that favors agriculture.

The present inhabitants have been in possession only about forty years, and they regard the ruins and relics with a certain awe, due to tradition, which invests them with a sacred character. The geography of the place tallies admirably with the indications given in the Bible. Phoenician vessels would naturally sail along the eastern African coast for the Red Sea, and proceeding by this route they would be about three years coming and going, as stated in the Bible.

A smart young article clerk, bearing it stated by a lecturer that "man is not a machine," remarked, "Then I suppose an attorney may be said to be a suing machine."

A speaker at a stump meeting declared that he knew no East, no West, no North, no South. "Then," said a bystander, "you ought to go to school and learn your geography."

A lady accused her extreme love for diamonds and other precious stones by saying, "They are the only bright things which never fade on earth."

The earth is a tender and kind mother to the husbandman; and yet at the same season he always harvests her bottom, and at another plucks her ears.

## The Farmer.

### Increase of the Growth of Potatoes.

Dr. Stockhardt, the eminent German agricultural chemist, very truly remarks:—It was given abundance of nourishing food to an animal, it becomes fat, and fat, on itself, and slightly improves food, it continues poor and lean, and is precisely the same with plants. "If they find all the substances which they require for their nourishment, and all the development, in abundant quantity, and in suitable form in the soil, and in the air, they will grow up more vigorously; but with more shoots, leaves, flowers and fruit than they meet with the usual quantity, or even only one of them, in sufficient quantity. By rich and abundant food the farmer fattens his cattle; by rich and abundant food he can also fatten his plants. In this respect plants are placed in the same circumstances as animals, during stall feeding; they are confined to one fixed spot, and cannot quit it in order to seek in another place what may perhaps be wanting to them in this; therefore, if they are to grow luxuriantly, the farmer must take care that their food lies near enough for them to reach it by their roots."

This parallel between the nutrition of animals and plants has often been drawn by agricultural writers; and it affords a very forcible illustration of the necessity of rich and active manures. No fact is more clearly proved by the experience of farmers; than that crops need nourishment in order to arrive at a healthy maturity. It has been demonstrated, time and again, and has been acknowledged with satisfaction by those farmers who have noted on the suggestion, while it has been admitted with regret by those who have attempted to grow crops with insufficient, or inferior manures.

In view of this fact the question of the character and reliability of a fertilizer comes home to every farmer. The maxim "get the best" applies with peculiar force to the selection of such compounds as are used to impart fertility to the soil. There are many articles from which to select—good, bad and indifferent. If our farmers would use the same circumspection in their purchases of fertilizers as they do in buying their stock, there would be fewer complaints, and larger crops would be raised. Among the many fertilizers sold in this vicinity, Whann's Raw Bone Super Phosphate is one of the most uniformly reliable manures offered in the market. The great success, which has everywhere attended its use is the strongest argument in its favor; and while many other fertilizers have failed to give satisfaction, Whann's is always used with success, and amply repays the farmer. This is no small recommendation, and the reputation which this article has achieved, has been won simply by its intrinsic merits. Farmers would do well to make a note of this; and when making their purchases for spring crops, they should by all means use Whann's. Its effects on corn, oats, garden vegetables, fruits and berries are prompt and decided, and while it possesses all the active qualities of the best Peruvian Guano, it exhibits the more lasting properties of dissolved bones.

Farmers who have not yet used this celebrated manure, would do well to give it a trial. The leading agriculturalists in the State employ it constantly; and one great argument in its favor is that those who once apply it to their land, continue to give it the preference over all other manures.

MANAGEMENT OF COWS IN HOLLAND.—Prof. George H. Cook, of the New Jersey Agricultural College, furnishes the *Country Gentleman* an interesting article concerning Dutch dairies. One that he visited was fifteen or twenty miles from Amsterdam, on a farm of 20 1/2 acres, nearly all in meadow and pasture. There were forty-six head of cattle kept, of which twenty-six were milch cows. The average yield of each cow during the year was 4,894 quarts, a daily average of 13.60. This average is remarkably large—and of course much above the general average of the country. The average yield of Dutch cows has been given at 2,635 to 2,940 quarts per year. Prof. Cook speaks especially of the marvellous neatness of the cow stables, but they are under the same roof and only separated from the dwelling house by a partition and door, and are not used in summer.

Good seed, whether for the garden or field, is indispensable to success. You may plow and pulverize and fertilize until your soil will be in the finest imaginable condition, but if your seed is not good, your anticipated crops will prove failures. Let the grower, who is about to make his seed purchases for the spring bear these facts in careful remembrance, and not waste about the price when he is fully assured that the article he is getting is the right one.

Cows that kick when milked, are cruelly cured of the troublesome habit by throwing the harsh old rope around and using mild moral suasion, which has no animal of either the equine or bovine genus was ever properly trained for any purpose.

Plant fruit trees. No tree will soil as well without fruit as with it, and nothing pays a better profit with equal cost.



## The Philadelphia Transcript.

CHARLES E. VANHORN, Editor.

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SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 25th, 1873.

The political movements of the next two or three weeks will be watched with great interest by the entire country. On Wednesday next, the first of May, the National Liberal Republican Convention convenes at Cincinnati; and on the 8th of the same month the National Democratic Executive Committee meets in New York.

What action will be taken by the former, no one seems to be advised, although there are many speculations.

Some have predicted that the difference between the two Republican parties will be smoothed over, and that they will work untidily in the coming Presidential campaign. Others think that the convention will endorse the Labor Reform nomination, and that the two parties hope by the assistance of the Democratic party to "beat Grant." We doubt much if the Democrats will have anything to do with this movement. The Liberal Republican platform, as set forth in the call for a National Convention, is only unlike Democratic principles in one particular. The Liberal Republicans number probably one million, while the Democratic party can put upwards of three millions of votes.

Now, (supposing the Liberals are honest in their conviction) it is hardly presumable that three-fourths the entire control of the party.

The true mission of the Democratic party is not to defeat Grant, but to restore the Constitution and preserve the principles of Republican government. In the administration reforms proposed by the Liberal Republicans, all can agree. They are not only embodied in the national Democratic platform, but they are exemplified in the principles and history of the Democratic party. What then is to prevent these patriotic gentlemen, now so valiant in their denunciations of the Administration which they helped to inaugurate and which till now they have unhesitatingly sustained, from uniting with the national Democracy in an effort to restore the Government to its original status. If the administration of Grant is so weak, corrupt, and despotic, that they can no longer adhere to it, what is it that prevents them from uniting with the Democracy to accomplish its certain overthrow? Odious and dangerous to liberty as Grant and his military faction, they prefer them to the Democratic party, which denounces in as unmeasured terms as it does the Radical party. No Democrat should take any part in the Cincinnati Convention, or in any event support its nomination, and it is certain that should a few leaders of the Democratic party advise its support, the rank and file will never support the movement.

### Charges against Postmaster Crosswell.

Several weeks ago a majority of the Committee on Postoffice and Postroads, appointed by the House of Representatives to investigate the charges against Postmaster Crosswell in relation to Straw bids, and to violations of the law regulating mail contracts, made a report, completely exonerating him. On Tuesday, a minority report, signed by Messrs. Van Trump, Randall and Carroll, was submitted. The minority refer to the testimony in relation to contracts and in relation to the straw bids, and say the testimony shows that the Postmaster General was aware of the existence of combinations against the Government in this matter. The committee say that when they take into consideration the fact that Assistant Postmaster General Smith testified that these frauds were matters of general conversation, that valuable considerations were used to withdraw the lower bids, that no local postmaster has been disciplined for certifying to fraudulent guarantees, and that the withholding of the whole matter from Congress shows either a deliberate concealment of abuses, or that the Postmaster General was most negligent in performing his duty.

The committee say "that the system of fraudulent or straw bidding has grown to its full volume under this administration. They consider the reformation of the statements of Mr. Crosswell that he acted under the opinion of the Attorney General as complete, and they believe that opinion was obtained after the Postmaster General had determined to change the practice of the Department, and now offered as an excuse for his justification thereof. They believe that the best and regular method of obtaining the true facts of the matter is to have the matter of the Postmaster General's statements put to a jury, and that the Postmaster General should be held to justify them in a court of law, and while the matter is thus pending, the Postmaster General should be suspended from duty. They believe that they are justified in making these charges, and that the Government is entitled to a full and complete investigation of the matter."

General Ransom, the new conservative Senator from North Carolina, was sworn on Thursday, in his seat, whereupon Mr. Thompson, of Tennessee, the Senator and the country upon the fact that for the first time in twenty years the Senate was full, all of the Senators being completely represented by members of the same party. There is no such guarantee in a century. In the Senate, the change of composition and the fact that it is composed of the two Houses of Congress is a rare occurrence.

## MD. Republican State Conventions.

The delegates elect to the Republican State Convention, met in Baltimore, on Wednesday, for the purpose of electing sixteen delegates to the Philadelphia Convention, to nominate candidates for President and Vice-President. The attendance of delegates, representing the six Congressional Districts of the city and State, was full, and the number of spectators—composed of a moderate number of respectable Republican citizens of Baltimore, and a majority of the Government employees of the Custom House and Post-office, white and black—filled the floor and galleries to overflowing. The gathering, as a whole, was characterized by that hybrid and disorderly appearance which has of late years been so distinguishing a feature in the legislative bodies of this political party. The distribution of a small number of negro delegates and spectators, representing about one-half of those present, was very judiciously arranged, the colored brethren being neatly sandwiched between the white along the seats, presenting quite a refreshing appearance. Rowdiness was rampant, and scenes of tumult and disorder marked the entire proceedings. At one time it was necessary to invoke the assistance of the police force to preserve order, and a number of arrests were made before the motley mixture of whites and blacks was enabled to transact the ordinary business of the meeting.

Among the delegates elected was Wm. Perkins, negro, of Chertown; and Walter Sorrell, negro, of the Fifth Congressional District.

The convention also nominated seven State electors, among whom is one negro. On the same day the Liberal Republicans of Maryland, held a State Convention to nominate delegates to the Cincinnati Convention. The following are the delegates elected: Ex-Governor A. W. Bradford, Louis Hennighausen, M. T. Gosnell and Col. Wm. H. Wiegell, of Baltimore city; J. J. Stewart, Charles Findlay, Edward Ley and Dr. J. R. Ward, of Baltimore county; Henry W. Hoffman, of Allegany; Hooper C. Hicks, of Dorchester; Samuel L. Guverneur, of Frederick; Dr. Charles R. Doran, of Washington; and Thomas Ireland, of Anne Arundel.

### The Geneva Arbitration.

England and the United States have submitted their counter cases. That of the United States is chiefly important on account of its defence of the claim for indirect damages, which it intimates will not be withdrawn.

The London Times describes the British counter statement as couched in a grave and statesmanlike spirit, and says the American case reads like an advocate's speech to a jury in a trial for assault and battery. The London Telegraph says:—"The Americans studying with impartiality our counter case, will find reason to fear not only for their indirect claims, but for something more. Instances upon instances of over statement and inconsistency is brought against them until their great fabric of laborious ingenuity trembles to its foundation."

The only hitch in the negotiations is the claim for indirect damages. England at one time agreed to pay this government three millions of pounds sterling, if the decision should be against her, but our government has presented a claim for indirect damages, amounting to more than half the cost of our late civil war, and to more than England could pay if she were willing. From present appearances of the case it is more than likely the decision will go against us entirely.

It is being admitted now by eminent jurists of this country, that the claim for indirect damages is untenable and that it ought to be withdrawn. It is said, that at present there is scarcely a member of either House of Congress, no matter what his politics may be, but what repudiates the idea of consequential damages, and that but few of them hesitate to admit their firm belief that the claim should not be persisted in.

The London Times, again reverting to the Alabama claims difficulty, says that if it is the policy of President Grant to keep the case unsettled until the date of the reassembling of the Geneva Board, it is plainly the duty of England to proceed no further in the arbitration, if the claims for indirect damages are not withdrawn. It urges strongly the adoption of Lord Russell's motion in the House of Lords, that until this is done proceedings on the part of Great Britain before the Geneva Tribunal shall be suspended.

## Local and State Affairs.

About 2 o'clock on Sunday morning last, the residence of Mr. Amos W. Lynch, near the town, was entered by two thieves. They had collected a lot of silverware, clothing, &c., and placed them in the middle room, on a stair, and had placed two valises near, into which, it is supposed, they intended to pack the goods. Not being satisfied with what they had procured on the first floor, they went up stairs, and the light of the lamp which they were carrying aroused Mr. Frank Lynch, who got up immediately and made battle with the robbers. He was attacked by the other with a chair. Fortunately, however, as the robbers were about to deal him a stunning blow, he missed his aim and demolished the chair against the door-frame. The scuffle, in which Frank received several slight bruises, lasted a few moments, and the thieves escaped. In such haste, however, that they were unable to carry anything away.

There have been no arrests made, but suspicion points strongly to Harry Hitchcock, a young man who formerly lived in this town, and who for some months resided in Mr. Lynch's family. On the night of the attempted robbery he came down from Philadelphia and took lodgings at Lippincott's Hotel. Mr. Lynch was in town to meet his wife, who also came down in the train, and as they were about to start home, Hitchcock came up and began to talk with them. He told Mr. Lynch he had some business with him, and would see him on Monday. Mr. Lynch invited him to go home with them, but he declined. He took great pains, however, to find out from Mrs. Lynch all about the premises, asking her if the house had been enlarged; if certain members slept in the same rooms that they occupied when he was there; if the dog would bite, &c. Hitchcock, if he were concerned in the affair, came back to the hotel again, and in the morning started to walk out to Mr. John A. Jones, but at last, as the case had not been there, or been heard of since.

**Peach Prospects.** Although some few orchards in this section are slightly injured, if the buds receive no further injury there will be a large yield. From newspaper reports, some of which are more reliable than others, it is not a full crop in the lower part of the peninsula, and New Castle county, as was the case last year, will have a large proportion of the crop.

**The Sussex Journal says:**—It is evident that the crop of peaches in Sussex Co. this year will be very light, last year there was an unusually heavy yield, and this is not the bearing year. Besides it is true, that the latter cold weather did injure a large proportion of the fruit buds, so we will certainly not have even as full a crop as we sometimes have immediately succeeding a "cold year."

**The Seafood Record says:**—Peach trees are in bloom, and we shall doubtless have half a crop this season. Some of our old peach growers have concluded that the month of August is the best time to let the peach crop be dead or not.

**The Princess Anne True Merchant, says:**—The frost on the night of the 23d instant seriously injured the peach buds throughout this neighborhood of Princess Anne. The warm weather of the previous week had developed them rapidly.

**Winchester County** will produce only about half a peach crop.

**The peach prospects in Dorchester are good.**

**Peelotown Case in Wilmington.** On Friday afternoon of last week, as two children of James Glenn and one of James McIntire were playing near their places of residence on McIntire's bank, they espied something on the ground which they thought was candy, and picked it up, and eat nearly all of it.

Shortly after they went home the child of J. McIntire, about six years old, died, and one of the children of James Glenn, a year and a half old. The other one was not very ill, and is now quite well.

After while older persons went with the surviving child to the place they found the substance which they had picked up, and a small piece of a brownish-looking matter which the child said was what they eat, but it was so small that it could not be analyzed, and as the parents of the children refused to permit a more extensive examination to be held, it is likely that they will always remain a mystery. Coroner Woodward held an inquest, and the jury rendered a verdict of "death from eating some poisonous substance found in the street."

### Powder Mill Explosions.

About 1 o'clock on Friday afternoon of last week, a press mill in the Hagley Powder Yard of E. I. du Pont, exploded. Killing one man and injuring another severely, who has since died of his injuries.

Another explosion occurred on Tuesday morning, at the Hagley Yard of the du Pont powder works, but no one was injured. It was one of the rolling mills this time, and the explosion came from the place about 3.10 o'clock, and was about five hundred pounds of powder in the mill at the time of the explosion. The machinery was damaged to a greater or less extent, and the roof of the mill was blown off, but beyond this no damage to either life, limb or property was done.

### Wilmington and Delaware Railroad.

The Governor of Maryland has issued a certificate of incorporation to the Middletown and Elkton Railroad, beginning at Elkton, Cecil county, and running to some point on the line dividing the States of Maryland and Delaware, south of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal, to connect with a road from Middletown, New Castle county, Delaware. Capital stock, \$250,000; incorporators Jacob, Tom, David Scott, Wm. Lind, John W. Ellis, Dr. C. M. Lewis, and Dr. Joseph V. Wallace.

### Another Confidence Game.

We learn that a confidence game was perpetrated upon Joseph Stapp, of Warwick, on Thursday week, by a couple of men, supposed to be the same individuals who gained a great deal in Delaware City. One of the men professed to be a life insurance agent, and the other told the same tale of having goods in Baltimore. They succeeded in obtaining \$140 from Mr. Stapp, and left as quickly as two catskins would about \$10.

### Gentry.

The trial of Rev. N. W. Bennett, who is a member of the Wilmington M. E. Conference, on the charge of adultery and immoral conduct, commenced in Georgetown last week and lasted three days. Although the accused was ably defended, a verdict of guilty was rendered by the reverend gentlemen assembled to try him. Final action will be taken on the case by the next conference, and until the meeting of that body, Mr. B. is excluded from the church as a minister.

### Excursion Tickets.

The Wilmington and Reading Railroad Company have decided to sell excursion tickets to parties desiring to attend the Liberal Republican Convention to be held in Cincinnati next month. The sale of tickets commenced on the 25th and will be discontinued on the 30th of the present month. Tickets for the round trip will be sold for \$30.

### Appointments.

The County Commissioners of Kent county, Md., last week, made the following appointments: Tax Collectors—First district, John W. Jarman; second district, C. W. Warren; third district, Wm. H. Brown; fourth district, E. H. Davis; fifth district, Morgan Brown. Standard keeper—G. W. C. Johnson.

### Tournament at Galena, Md.

It is proposed to hold a Tournament at Galena, Md., on June 15th, next. It is expected to be a fine affair, and has been invited to be the Order on the occasion. An advertisement in another column.

### Saint Anne's Church.

Divine Service (D. V.) in Saint Anne's Church, Middletown, Sunday (to-morrow) morning and evening. Doors for service, 10 o'clock (both days). The Pastor expects to officiate in both services.

### Cow Killed.

The 2:35 train on Monday afternoon last, ran over and killed a cow, near St. Anne's Church, about a mile south of this town, belonging to Mr. James Jones.

## Minor Topics.

The race on the trial flag at the last fall term of the Kent county court, for trial and argument, were one hundred in number, whilst the number of similar cases, for the present term, is twenty-eight.

The village of Manassas, Md., contains two large hotels, several stores, but no church. The citizens are making efforts to erect one there soon.

Mr. A. B. Crawford announces himself as a candidate on the Labor Reform ticket for Sheriff of New Castle county, at the next election.

The town election of Chesapeake City, takes place May 1st.

Mr. Harbison Hickman, of Lewes, is planting out 12,000 apple trees this spring.

The State, under the new law for the protection of oyster cultivation, has received for revenue from that source, during the last year, about \$6,500, which after deducting expenses of collection, nets about \$5,300 to the State.

The small-pox is prevalent in the neighborhood of Manassas. Dr. Lort reports since its first appearance twenty-one cases. Of this number, there have been seven deaths. The Doctor says it is on the increase through the country.

The Kent and Queen Anne's Railroad, which runs from Townsend to Centerville, has been assigned for \$75,000 damages by C. A. Rutter, assignee of Geo. Stearns, for withdrawing the charter which Stearns had for building the road.

The regular May term of Court of New Castle county will commence on Monday week, May the 6th. It is said that the term will be shorter than the last two or three terms.

The Catholics of this State have a Benevolent Union Association, with nearly 1,000 members. It paid out last year about \$1,500 in sick benefits.

James Anderson, Esq., has a pear tree, on his farm near Georgetown, 60 feet high, which bears about 50 bushels of fruit annually.

Up to the present time eight negroes have been freed for manumission. But still the officers of the law.

The Wilmington Board of Education have voted to make vocal music part of the instruction in the common schools.

The Diamond State Brass Band, of this town, have purchased new instruments.

Six hundred and sixty vessels took shelter within the Lewes breakwater last past month.

Trade reports in this section are now in full bloom.

### Our farmers are now planting corn.

### Wilmington Items.

Our Wilmington correspondent writes:—There have been two explosions at the Du Pont powder mills, near this city, within the past week, killing two men and injuring several others. There must be great carelessness on the part of the managers of the factory.

Charles Loukas, a young and intelligent printer, created quite an excitement here on last Friday. He was boarding with a widow lady, in Fall street, and on the day, above mentioned, left the house, taking with him all her funds, amounting to \$1.05, and left an unpaid board bill of \$15. Besides committing this act, Charles is charged with the great crime of killing a father in England, his native country. Two detectives are in pursuit of him.

How about the dilapidated City Hall? Some favor the erection of a new one, while others think the old building remodelled. One thing is certain, however, and that is: if something is not done towards improving the appearance of the old structure, it will only be despised by the eye of the visitor as well as that of our own citizens.

The New Temperance Hotel is being rapidly pushed forward, and when finished will be quite an ornament if it is intended to be as we have heard. There are in the company, many who are subscribers to the stock with the understanding that no intoxicating liquors were to be sold within its walls, and if there should be, they would withdraw their stock.

Although we wrote few weeks ago that the small-pox had nearly disappeared from our city, we were somewhat mistaken. Many cases have recently been reported to the Board of health, while there are also cases which are kept secret from the public. The cause of the rapid increase of the disease is attributed to moving about on the 25th of March. Houses where cases of the most fatal kind had been kept secret, were occupied by new tenants who have since taken the disease.

Gov. Ponder has increased the reward for Dennis from two to five hundred dollars. This will probably cause a keener search for him.

### Delaware City Items.

An election will be held at the school house of District No. 76, in Delaware City, May 4th, next, for the purpose of electing three Commissioners, Assessor and Treasurer to serve the ensuing year.

At the last meeting of the Kirkwood Building and Loan Association funds sold for 13 and 14 per cent.

On Tuesday last Mr. James Smith, barber, and William D. Mullen, assistant postmaster, of this place, while back-drawing after herring in the Chesapeake and Delaware canal, the boat capsized, precipitating them into the water, when five hundred pounds of powder in the mill at the time of the explosion. The machinery was damaged to a greater or less extent, and the roof of the mill was blown off, but beyond this no damage to either life, limb or property was done.

On Tuesday next the steamer Perry will make an excursion from Salem to Wilmington, to visit Barnum's show, stopping at Delaware City and New Castle.

### Trustees of the Poor.

The New Board of Trustees of the Poor of this county, met on Wednesday, at the Almshouse, and organized by electing the following officers: President—George Lodge, of Brandywine H. D. Secretary—G. E. Watson Evans, of White Clay Creek Hundred.

Superintendent of the Poor—Malachi Barlow, of Brandywine Hundred.

Physicians—Dr. Kane and Draper, of Wilmington Hundred.

Attorney—Joseph M. Barr, Esq. of Wilmington Hundred.

## Entertainment in the Town Hall.

Levitt's Swiss Bell Ringers, who it will be remembered gave a concert in the Town Hall a few weeks ago, will again visit this place on next Saturday evening, May 4th, and give another entertainment. Their exhibitions are of a pleasing and varied character, and no one should fail to see them. Ample arrangements have been made by the popular and enterprising Agent of the Troupe, Mr. H. A. B. Williams, and nothing will be spared to render the entertainment pleasing to those who may attend.

Another Cow Killed by the Cars. The 11:35 train down, yesterday morning, ran over and killed a cow, just before it reached Mt. Pleasant.

## Persecuted South Carolina.

Is the persecution of the people of South Carolina never to stop? Are the political exigencies of General Grant and Governor Scott of such a nature that the State, where Radicalism has most triumphantly asserted itself, must be kept in order by military terrorism supplemented by downright murder? Ever since United States Marshal Johnson was superseded in his office by ex-Congressman Wallace, the Federal troops have been kept active in scouring the seven counties placed under martial law, and have arrested large numbers of persons and dragged them off to places remote from their homes for imprisonment and trial. These unhappy people, principally farmers and planters, in Laurens, Newberry, Spartanburg and Union counties, are daily being seized and carried off, says the Charleston News, "on all sorts of charges ranging over years of time, and their families are left to the tender mercies of a few who are not yet arrested, but who live in constant fear. No crops, nor any hope of any. Starvation and misery alike to the mother and the babe, appear to be in the near future for thousands of the persecuted citizens of the upper counties."

In Spartanburg, the troops are riding over the country night and day, making arrests everywhere. "Old men of eighty and ninety years," writes a merchant, "some even on crutches, are brought in and lodged in jail. Some of these old men, I feel satisfied, have not been away from their homes at night for twenty years." What wonder is it that hundreds of the citizens are leaving that country, not from consciousness of guilt, but because numbers of perfectly innocent men have already been arrested, and "no man knows whose turn may come next?"

## HONOR TO A SOUTHERN WRITER IN ENGLAND.

Recently the Premier, Mr. Gladstone, referring to the recovery from the late fatal illness of the Prince of Wales, adduced as one proof of American sympathy in his behalf the beautiful poem called "Sandringham," composed by a Southern poetess, *per excellence*, Mrs. Margaret J. Preston, of Lexington, Va. which he styled a "poem of extraordinary merit." Soon after, the editor of the London *Companion*, who had republished "Sandringham" from the columns of the New York *Albion*, came out with the following paragraph:—"We are sure," he said, "that it will gratify Mrs. Preston, of Virginia, to be informed that Her Royal Highness, the Princess of Wales, has written us a letter of thanks for republishing her beautiful poem, 'Sandringham' in the *Companion*." Such honors to a Southern woman of genius should delight every patriot in our section, and be noticed by our press everywhere.—*Charleston Courier*.

## RELIGIOUS OBSERVATION.

A remarkable example of religious toleration has, according to the Cologne Gazette, been displayed by the Greek Clergy on a recent occasion. The foundation-stone of a Protestant church was laid at Patras on the 21st of February. Besides the Protestant congregation many Greeks attended the ceremony. The Greek clergy of the town, who had been invited to attend the solemnity, did not fail to appear, and the Archbishop of Patras, Cyrillos, after offering the customary prayers, laid the foundation-stone with his own hands, an action which produced the most favorable impression on all present. The bishop, at the same time, recommended the church to the protection of St. Andrew, who, according to tradition, suffered martyrdom at Patras.

## MARRIED.

At the Rectory of the Holy Redemption, 22d and Callowhill Streets, Philadelphia, by Rev. J. F. Fausch, D.D., Wm. S. Thompson, of Delaware City, and Miss M. L. Mole, of Wilmington, Delaware.

## DIED.

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## Letter from Galena, Kent Co. Md.

GALENA, KENT COUNTY, MD.  
April 23d, 1872.

Mr. Editor:—On the opening of spring our farmers say, prospect very fair for average crop of peaches; wheat has considerably improved in appearance, and preparations are being made for planting corn. Messrs. Parr and Medders have purchased from John Jervess, Esq., a lot of about five acres, which they intend dividing into building lots.

The firm, Messrs. West & Carroll, who built the Presbyterian Church at Georgetown, are now building a fine residence for Mr. Jervess, to be occupied by William S. Sparks.

On last Friday night, James D. Gooding, formerly of this county, lately of Queen Anne's Co. died after an illness of a few hours, from Apoplexy. He was highly esteemed by all who knew him, and his death has cast a gloom over the community.

Great preparations are being made for the Tournament, to be held on the 12th, of June. Hon. Thomas Swann has been invited as orator of the day. Handsome prizes are to be awarded to the successful Knights, and every thing possible will be done for the enjoyment of those attending.

James Hurtt, Esq., against whom Mr. Hoffecker procured judgment and damages amounting to four thousand two hundred dollars, at Wycombe County Court, last fall, has been granted a new trial, in consequence of a rule of Court not being complied with.

At sale of money by Galena Building Association, last week, seven hundred and fifty dollars was purchased at two, nine, sixteenth premium.

May day will be a grand day with the pupils of Galena Seminary. The Queen has been chosen, and of course her attendants selected. While they to the "woods away," may they pass pleasantly the hours, with no sorrow or disappointment to mar the happy occasion.

It is said that Wm. K. Sutton is about to enter suit to recover one of the corners and a considerable amount of property now held by different parties in Galena. Dr. H. N. Hammond has located with us, and announces his readiness to attend to all cases of dentistry, presented to his skill. Yours, J. A. B.

Some one has taken the trouble to ascertain the number of battles fought since 1504 by the armies of Austria. Nearly Seven thousand battles, or one to every fifteen days, are the figures given.

## THE MARKETS.

### MIDDLETOWN MARKET.

Wheat	.....	\$1 35 @ 60
Corn	.....	.....
Oats	.....	.....
Timothy Seed	.....	.....
Clover	.....	.....
Eggs	.....	.....
Butter	.....	.....
Lard	.....	.....
Pork	.....	.....
Potatoes	.....	.....
Turkeys	.....	.....
Ducks	.....	.....
Chickens	.....	.....
Geese	.....	.....

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Wheat, prime	.....	\$1 50
Corn	.....	.....
Oats	.....	.....
Flour	.....	.....

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Corn	.....	.....
Oats	.....	.....
Flour	.....	.....

### BUSINESS LOCALS.

The celebrated E. and C. Ladies Kid Gloves, at \$1.00 per pair, at Hanson Bros.

As the season is getting late those desirous of planting shade trees should procure them at once from E. R. Cochran, Middletown Nursery and Fruit Farm.

First class Maple Trees for sale by E. R. Cochran, at the Middletown Nursery and Fruit Farm.

Joseph Simpers will serve the people of Odessa and Middletown with pure Sweet Milk every morning, between the hours of 6 and 7 o'clock.

Corn Droppers for sale wholesale and retail at S. M. Reynolds', Middletown, Del.

Corn Droppers—Farmers call at S. M. Reynolds' and purchase a Corn Dropper. It drops with great regularity and precision, and saves time, labor and seed.

Ladies call at Hanson Bros., and see the celebrated Princess Brand Alpaca. Great care has been taken in the manufacture of these goods with regard to color, weight and texture, and in these respects they are acknowledged to be the best in the market. Prices—50, 65, 85 and \$1.00 per yard.

Hamburg Edgings and Insertings, Laces, Piques, Trimmings, Ladies' Plain Silk Neckties in assorted colors, for Spring. Dolly Varden Prints in large and small figures, at R. M. Reynolds'.

Mackrel No. 1 & 2 in bbls, 14 lbs., and Herring, also, Labrador, Eastport and Portland Herring, for sale low at Hanson Bros.

Hanson Bros. have in a beautiful assortment of Spring Goods, especially in the ladies line.

Fruits and vegetables preserved by the Alden Process, can be had of E. B. Rice, at the OLD BANK.

**REMOVAL!**  
THOMAS MARRY, Jr. has removed his watch and jewelry store to his new building, next door to the National Hotel, where he is prepared to wait upon his customers as usual.  
Jan 30—1872

# For the Middletown Transcript.

Mr. Editor,—Dear Sir:—Allow me through the medium of your paper to testify to the skill of your townsman, Dr. Gilpin (Dentist), in effecting for me the cure of a disease of rare occurrence. Having been affected during last winter with a very sore mouth, I applied to Dr. Gilpin, and upon examination, he found a disease, (located beneath a tooth in one of my gums,) called Epulis. He skillfully extracted the tooth and effected a permanent cure. I therefore desire to add my testimony for the benefit of those desiring the Doctor's services in Dentistry. Respectfully &c.

JOSEPH W. VANDERBILT.  
Smyrna, April 23d, 1872.

A mob stopped an eastern bound train on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad, at Cann city, in Cass county, Missouri, on Wednesday afternoon, and murdered J. R. Cline, J. C. Stevenson and S. E. Dutrow. Stevenson was a member of the county court, and presiding Judge when the recent bond excitement was raised, while Cline was the attorney implicated. Dutrow was killed simply because he was in company with the others. The mob threatened to kill any one who hereafter identified any of them in court or elsewhere, and said they had just commenced their work of murder. Some of them were masked. All had revolvers and shot guns. They numbered 75 or 100.

A Convention of Liberal Republicans of the State of Nebraska was held in Nebraska city on Thursday, and twenty-one delegates were appointed to the Cincinnati Convention. A series of resolutions were adopted, which speak out plainly and most unmistakably.

The chair in which John Adams was sitting when he signed the Declaration of Independence will be sent from the city of New York to Cincinnati, to be occupied by the presiding officer of the Liberal Convention.

**Flowers and Geraniums**  
Of all kinds, for sale at the "OLD BANK," on and after Tuesday, April 23d, very low for cash.  
E. B. RICE.  
Middletown, Del.  
apr 23—2w

## GRAND

Vocal and Instrumental Concert,  
AT THE  
**TOWN HALL.**  
Middletown, Del.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 15th, 1872.

THIS entertainment will surpass anything of the kind ever given in Middletown. SENTIMENTAL AND COMIC SONGS, SOLOS, DUETS, TRIOS, QUARTETS, AND CHORUSES.

The artist for this concert have been selected from the best choirs in the city of Philadelphia. Among whom may be found some of the rarest musical talent of the age.

Comic singing by Mr. John A. Cully, one of the most remarkable Comic Singers in the United States.

The managers pledge themselves that this entertainment will be well represented. 75c Tickets 50 cents. No half price. Doors open at 7 1/2 o'clock. Concert to commence at 8 1/2.

Tickets can be obtained of the managers, and at the door the evening of the entertainment.

J. THOS. BUDD, J. H. HALL, RICHARD T. LOCKWOOD, JOSEPH T. WILSON, DR. W. H. HARRIS, E. M. HANSON, DR. J. J. WRIGHT, JAMES M. COX, JOHN COCHRAN, C. H. VANDERBILT, Apr 30—1c, Managers.

## Register's Order.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.

New Castle County, March 28th, 1872.

Upon the application of Richard T. Lockwood, Administrator of J. H. Anderson, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said County, deceased; it is ordered and directed by the Register, that the Administrator aforesaid give notice of the granting of Letters of Administration upon the Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters, in six of the most public places in the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the Estate, to present the same, and to be paid, and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the Middletown Transcript, a newspaper published in Middletown, and to be continued therein two months.

Given under hand and Seal of Office of the Register aforesaid, at New Castle, Delaware, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written. B. GIBBS, Register.

NOTICE.—All persons having claims against the Estate of the deceased herein present the same duly attested to the Administrator on or before March 28th, 1872, or abide an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided. And also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the Middletown Transcript, a newspaper published in Middletown, and to be continued therein two months.

R. T. LOCKWOOD, Administrator.  
apr 13—2m Address—Middletown, Del.

## MARKET ST. FURNITURE STORE.

1019 Market Street, PHILADELPHIA.

## BUY YOUR FURNITURE

DIRECT FROM THE MANUFACTURER.

## ROBERT WILSON

Cabinet-Maker & Upholsterer,  
No. 1019 MARKET STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

Manufacturer of, and Dealer in, Fine and Medium Furniture of all kinds, wholesale and retail.

ALSO, COTTAGE CHAMBER SUITS.  
Mattresses, Bedding, Feathers, &c. &c. of every description. All goods warranted. All goods sold cheap for cash.—B.W.  
apr 13—3m

## FLOWERS!!

## TO THE LADIES,

I will have for sale, on and after April 13th, I will further notice, a choice lot of Flowers, embracing the most beautiful and choice varieties.  
H. H. RICE, DEALER.  
Apr. 13—3w. Cass St. Middletown, Del.

## "The Track of the Traveller."

JOHN O'BRYEN, Esq., will deliver a lecture on the above subject, on Saturday evening, April 27th, in the Presbyterian Church, at St. Georges, proceeds for the benefit of the Saint Georges Library Association. Doors open at 7 1/2. Lecture commences at 8. Tickets, 50 cents; children under 15 years of age admitted at half price.  
[Apr 6—1f]

# THE LARGEST CLOTHING HOUSE IN THE STATE.

**DeWolf,**  
**308 Market Street,**  
**WILMINGTON, DEL.**

Having enlarged my store, I have now on hand the largest and best selected stock of SPRING CLOTHING, for GENTS, YOUTHS and BOYS, in the State, which I am offering at Prices to suit all.

A separate Apartment for Boys Clothing. Good all wool Suits at \$10.  
Call and examine before purchasing elsewhere.  
[April 6—6m.]

## CARPETS,

**J. E. & E. B. ORNE,**

904 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia,

Have now opened the most Elegant Variety of New Carpets ever imported. Notwithstanding the great advance, J. E. & E. B. ORNE have determined to offer their entire Stock at old prices.

Tapestry Carpets, all the new Brussels styles in single and double widths. J. E. & E. B. ORNE are closing out the balance of last Season's importations, and are offering them at a heavy reduction in Price. Also an invoice of FRECH AXMINSTER CARPETS at \$2.50 per yard. [April 6—2m]

"Goods are never advertised by this House as Bargains, unless they are actually under the market value."

## CARPET DEPARTMENT.

FOR THE PRESENT,

**CROSSLEY'S, DOUBLE CROSS, BEST**

**English Tapestry Brussels,**

**\$1.50 Per Yard,**

IN NEW AND FASHIONABLE DESIGNS.

BARGAINS IN INGRATIN. OIL CLOTHS & MATTICGS.

**Granville Worrell,**

220 AND 222 MARKET STREET.

WILMINGTON, DEL.

Jan 20, 1871—1y.

## SHAWLS! SHAWLS!! SHAWLS!!!

WATER-PROOF CLOAKINGS, HEAVY CANTON FLANNELS,

HEAVY WOOL FLANNELS,

MALLIEU'S KERSEY,

MEN'S HEAVY WINTER BOOTS,

&c. &c. &c.

SCOWBRICK & COCHRAN,  
Middletown, Del.

October 14, 1871—1y

**228 EDWARD MOORE, 228**

**Manufacturer of FINE READY-MADE CLOTHING**

**FOR MEN AND BOYS.**

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

**SPRING AND SUMMER CLOTHING**

ON HAND, MADE UP IN THE LATEST STYLE AND BEST MANNER.

ALSO, A GREAT VARIETY OF

**PIECE GOODS, for Order Work.**

Apr 22—1y **228 MARKET ST. Wilmington, Del.**

**Henry Clayton,**

**Mt. Pleasant, Del.**

BREEDER OF

**Dark Brahma, Buff**

**AND**

**Partridge Cochins.**

**DARK BRAHMAS**

Bred from Choice Importations of Clapp, Wade and Yanwinkle.

**BUFF COCHINS**

Bred from W. H. Churchman's noted strains, and

**PARTRIDGE COCHINS**

Bred from Choice Importations of Shaner and Britton.

**Eggs For Sale,**

ALSO, A FEW CHOICE COCKERLS.

All persons interested in Choice Poultry are invited to come and see my Breeding Fowls, and judge for themselves.  
April 13—3m

## GREAT BARGAINS.

For persons desirous of building this Spring, great bargains in building lots may be had by calling on  
E. B. COCHRAN,  
March 2, 1872—10w  
Middletown, Del.

FOR RENT.—TWO HOUSES ON ANDERSON ST. MIDDLETOWN, DEL. Possession given 25th of March. Apply to  
ROBT. A. COCHRAN.  
near 2—1f

**Millinery and Dress-Making**  
AT TOWNSEND, DEL.  
Also, an assortment of Trimmings, Corsets, Handkerchiefs, &c. &c. kept on hand.  
MARY A. CARTER. SALLIE R. SMITH.  
April 12th—2w

# NEW JERSEY CHEMICAL CO.

AMMONIATED  
**SUPER-PHOSPHATE.**

The NEW JERSEY CHEMICAL COMPANY having purchased the Chemical Works late of Potts & Klett, are now manufacturing Ammoniated Super-Phosphate of Lime fully equal in quality and condition to the Rhodes Super-Phosphate, formerly made by Potts & Klett, which has heretofore given such general satisfaction. We are now prepared to furnish coopers and dealers with the above Super-Phosphate and shall be glad to supply our old customers and others. We also beg to call your attention to the

"ORCHILLA GUANO."  
This Guano we receive direct from the Orchilla Island. Wherever it has been fairly tried it is pronounced one of the best and cheapest fertilizers in the market.

**YARNALL & TRIMBLE,**  
SOLE WHOLESALE AGENTS,  
147 SOUTH FRONT STREET,  
Philadelphia.  
Mar 16—3ms 9f

## TEMPLE OF FASHION!

ESTABLISHED 1857.

**MRS. M. A. BINDER,**

1101 N. W. Corner Eleventh and Chestnut Sts.  
PHILADELPHIA.

Importer and Designer of

**PARIS AND LONDON NOVELTIES.**

Elegantly Trimmed Paper Patterns of Latest and most reliable styles, for ladies' and children's dresses.

Ladies' Dress Trimmings, Real and Imitation Laces, Gloves, Fans, Ribbons, Ties, French Jewelry, Fancy Goods. Dress and Cloak Making in the most tasteful and elegant manner. A perfect system of DRESS CUTTING taught.

Strict punctuality in fulfillment of orders. Paper Patterns, wholesale and retail.

Mar 16, 1872—3 mos.

## LIME, LIME, LIME!!

THE subscriber will furnish the best quick Lime to all who may want, at kiln prices. For further information inquire of John A. Reynolds, Middletown, Delaware, who is authorized to act for me.  
GEORGE WHITE,  
Apr. 20—1f. Norristown, Pa.

## WOOL WANTED!!

Highest Cash Price paid FOR WOOL.  
By JAMES R. HOFFECKER,  
Middletown, Del.  
Apr. 20—3w\*

## WANTED

ANY number of FINE SHIRTS to make, Address Box 23,  
Apr. 20—2w\* Townsend, Del.

## POROUS DRAIN TILE.

Egg-Shaped, 2 to 7 inches Calibre. Round, with Collar, 14 to 24 inches Calibre. Address,  
W. M. BELL,  
Smyrna, Del.  
Successor to Allen & Bell.

Respectfully refers to John C. Croston, Esq., Chief Eng'r Fairmount Park; R. Morris Copeland, Esq., Ch. Eng'r Ridley Park, near Chester.  
March 23—6m

## CARRIAGES! CARRIAGES!!

GREAT inducements are offered to persons wanting good carriages at  
Alexander & Son's Carriage Works,  
DELAWARE CITY, DEL.

They wish to inform their old customers and the public generally that they have on hand and make to order

**CARRIAGES OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,**

and warranted to be of the best quality, which they offer at reasonable prices.  
Feb 24—1f

## FRUIT TREES

AND

**SMALL FRUIT PLANTS**

FOR SALE, AT ODESSA NURSERY,

ODESSA, DELAWARE.

**PEACH, PEAR, & CHERRY TREES**

FOR FALL PLANTING; ALSO,

**SMALL FRUIT PLANTS**

Of all kinds, and a general assortment of Nursery stock.

sept 23—1f POLK & HYATT.

**COAL! COAL!! COAL!!!**

Just received, a cargo of VERY SUPERIOR COAL.  
2340 lbs. \$7.00  
2240 lbs. 6.00  
All orders will receive prompt attention.  
June 17—1f CHAS. T. STRATTON, Odessa, Del.

## FOR SALE.

200,000 GIANT ASPARAGUS PLANTS,

AND

50,000 ORANGE QUICKS

For Sale, at \$2 per thousand each, by

JAMES T. SHALLCROSS,  
Odessa, Del  
Nov 11—1f

## EARLY ROSE POTATOES,

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Apply to

JAMES T. SHALLCROSS.

## Fruit Farms.

PERSONS in want of Desirable Fruit Farms for homes or investments, are invited to examine our list before purchasing. No charge made for showing land to bona fide purchasers. J. T. BUDD, Real Estate Agent, &c.,  
apr 13—3w Middletown, Del.

## Early Rose Potatoes.

First Size, 50 cts. per bushel; 2nd size, (not the smallest), 40 cents per bushel. For sale at the farm, one mile east of Middletown, Del., or delivered at the Railroad.  
D. B. HIGGINS.  
apr 13—2w

## MIDDLETOWN IRON FOUNDRY

AND

**MACHINE SHOP.**

Plows and Plow Castings, Machine Castings of all kinds on hand or made to order. Particular attention given to Repairing Machinery. Cash for old iron.  
W. L. BUCKER & SON,  
Foundry and Machinists.  
Jan 4—1f

## FOR RENT.

THE House on corner of Main and Cass streets formerly occupied by Geo. W. Ingram.  
Mar 30—1f Apply to G. W. INGRAM.

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